

B-3505 - B-3517

c.1840-1895

1105-1139 William St. (East side)

Baltimore, Md.

Private access

The east side of the 1100 block of William St. is improved with a variety of house types dating over a wide range of years. At 1105 William St. there is a two story plus attic, two bay wide brick house, built in the early 1840's. 1107-1109 and 1111-1113 William St. are pairs of three story, two bay wide brick houses with shed roofs and bracketed cornices, built in the late 1850's or 1860's. 1115-1117 William St. is a pair of three story, three bay wide brick houses with shed roofs but no extant roof cornice probably built in the early 1880's; 1119 William St. is a three story, two bay wide brick house with shed roof but no extant roof cornice, built in the late 1870's. At 1121 William St. there is a late Victorian style two story, two bay wide brick house with shed roof and bracketed cornice, built in the late 1870's; 1123 and 1125 William St. are both two story plus attic, two bay wide brick houses, built in the 1840's; 1127 William St. is a late Victorian style two story, three bay wide brick house with shed roof and bracketed cornice, built in the early 1890's; and 1129 William St. is the remaining two story, two bay wide brick back building of the original house that once stood at the front of the lot, probably built in the 1840's or 1850's. At 1131-1133 and 1135-1137 William St. there are two pairs of three story, two bay wide brick houses with shed roofs and bracketed cornices, built in the late 1870's or early 1880's. Finally, at 1139 William St. there is a two story, two bay wide brick house with gable roof set perpendicular to William St.. This original gable-roofed house is now obscured behind a later two story front with flat roofline. The modernized structure, with deep rear addition, now serves as a bakery.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

1105 William St.

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT
☒ BUILDING(S)
☐ STRUCTURE
☐ SITE
☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC
☒ PRIVATE
☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED
☐ UNOCCUPIED
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☒ YES: RESTRICTED
☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED
☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE ☐ MUSEUM
☐ COMMERCIAL ☐ PARK
☐ EDUCATIONAL ☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE
☐ ENTERTAINMENT ☐ RELIGIOUS
☐ GOVERNMENT ☐ SCIENTIFIC
☐ INDUSTRIAL ☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ MILITARY ☐ OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Records Office Room 601

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

Baltimore City Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

STATE

Maryland 21202

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION**CONDITION**

☐ EXCELLENT
☒ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This two story plus attic brick house with gable roof was built in the 1840's and formed part of a group of gable roofed houses that originally extended along this side of William St. The house has been covered with formstone.

The house is two and a half stories in height, about 15' wide, and occupies a lot 82' deep. There is a two story high, three bay deep rear addition followed by a later two story high, two bay deep section. The house is probably constructed in running bond, but the facade has been covered with formstone. The low-pitched gable roof has a two-tier brick cornice with a lower row of brick dentils. The house has a double hooded chimney located along the north side of the front roof gable and a double rectangular chimney located along the north side of the rear gable. There is also a hooded rear end chimney located at the east end of the first three bay addition.

Although the original treatment of the door and window lintels and sills has been hidden by the formstone covering, it is apparent that all of the openings had segmentally arched brick lintels with solid wood tympanums. The doorway currently has a flat lintel. All of the window openings are filled with 1/1 double hung sash. A Mediterranean-style panel door is set beneath a single light transom. The house sits on a high basement, the entrance being reached by four stone steps. A coal opening with metal cover is located in the sidewalk directly beneath the first floor window.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES 1841-45

BUILDER/ARCHITECT John G. Frank

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This house is representative of a large group of such houses built in the 1840's and 1850's in the central section of Federal Hill to accomodate the growing labor force centered around the Baltimore waterfront. Although showing possible stylistic influences from Greek Revival styl buildings in Baltimore (in the proportions of the attic windows and the chaste exterior details), the outstanding feature of these houses is their extreme simplicity of design and detailing. They are practical adaptations of a current mode of building, designed to meet the need for efficient, low-cost housing for a growing working class community.

This house was built by John G. Frank, a baker who had previously lived on the corner of Cross and William Streets. Frank also built similar houses at 1102 and 1104 Battery Ave. Frank occupied this house through the 1860's.¹

¹Baltimore City Land Records, Liber TK 314, Folio 22; Baltimore City Directory, 1837, 1842, 1849-50, 1867

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATAACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 25' x 82'**VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION**

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

M.E. Hayward / Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust / Struever Bros. & Eccles

DATE

5/79

STREET & NUMBER

1745 Circle Rd.

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Ruxton

STATE

Maryland 21204

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

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ST.

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AVE.

WILLIAM

DURST

BATTERY

E. WEST

ST.

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NOTICE

CITY OF
DEPARTMENT OF
BUREAU OF PL.

B-3505
1105 William Street
Block 0952 Lot 035
Baltimore City
Baltimore East Quad.





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1105 William St.

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West elevation